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1. The chemical factory at Ruse (Maribor) has been constructed in the course of the last three years on the site of the former small factory for phenic acid.
2. The layout of the factory buildings includes the quarters for workmen and technicians which have been built on either side of the factory.
3. At present 7,000 to 8,000 men are employed in the factory.
4. Production consists of phenic acid, nitrogen, and other unspecified chemical products.
5. A body of police, known as "Labor Police", wearing civilian clothes but armed with rifles, carries out security duties in the factory, and checks incoming and outgoing workers at the factory entrance.
6. Before the Tito-Cominform dispute, the factory management was under the direction of a Soviet military mission. A large part of the products were sent to the Soviet Union by rail.

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